

Amendments to the Specification

Please **replace** the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 4 with the following **rewritten** paragraph:

~~-- This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/430,995 (Atty. Docket No. PU020473), entitled "LENS DESIGN FOR LCOS TO LCOS RELAY", filed December 4, 2002, which is incorporated by reference herein in its entirety.~~

This application claims the benefit, under 35 U.S.C. § 365 of International Application PCT/US03/38199, filed November 26, 2003, which was published in accordance with PCT Article 21(2) on June 17, 2004 in English and which claims the benefit of United States provisional patent application No. 60/430,995, filed December 4, 2002. --